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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO AMCONSUL KARACHI NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL LAHORE NIACT IMMEDIATE

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 489

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CONSULATES FOR PRINCIPAL OFFICER, USIS BPAO AND PSO.

KARACHI ALSO FOR RSS (INFO), DEPT FOR A/SY AND USIS FROM RSO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED IN FRONT OF U.S. EMBASSY ISLAMABAD,

AND USIS CENTER RAWALPINDI

1. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1977, THE DAILY JANG, A RAWALPINDI URDU NEWSPAPER, REPORTED THAT THE PAKISTAN YOUTH FRONT, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, PLANS TO DEMONSTRATE ON THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1977, IN FRONT OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, ISLAMABAD, AND THE USIS CENTER, SADDAR/ (RAWALPINDI) TO PROTEST THE SHOWING OF THE FILM "MUHAMMAD, THE MESSENGER OF GOD" IN THE U.S. THE ARTICLE DID NOT INDICATE THE TIME.

2. THE ARTICLE DID NOT MENTION DEMONSTRATIONS OR RALLIES AT OTHER LOCATIONS IN PAKISTAN; HOWEVER SINCE THE CONSULATES HAVE RECEIVED TELEGRAMS AND CORRESPONDENCE ON THIS MATTER, IT IS POSSIBLE

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DEMONSTRATIONS COULD OCCUR ELSEWHERE.

3. RSO RECORDS REVEAL THAT A DEMONSTRATION, WHICH BEGAN PEACEFULLY, AGAINST USIS PESHAWAR, IN NOVEMBER 1974 TO PROTEST THE PUBLICATION OF A PICTURE OF THE PROPHET IN A U.S. MAGAZINE, TURNED INTO A FLAG BURNING AND ROCK THROWING DEMONSTRATION BY APPROXIMATELY 150

PERSONS.

4. SHOULD TOMORROW'S DEMONSTRATION BE SUCCESSFUL IT  
COULD BE THE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION AT FRIDAY MOSQUE  
SERVICES AND LEAD TO ADDITIONAL GATHERINGS AT U.S.  
INSTALLATIONS.

5. POSTS SHOULD DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF DEMONSTRATIONS  
WITH LOCAL SECURITY AUTHORITIES AND IF ADVISABLE ARRANGE  
FOR POLICE COVERAGE AT U.S. OFFICIAL FACILITIES IN  
YOUR AREA. USIS OFFICERS SHOULD BE ON THE READY TO  
LOWER ANTI-DEMONSTRATION GRILLS SHOULD A GATHERING  
BECOME BELLIGERENT.

6. KARACHI SHOULD ASSIGN AN MSG IN CIVILIAN ATTIRE  
TO THE USIS LIBRARY.  
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